(c) whether Government have made efforts during the last three years to solve these disputes; and

(d) if so, by when togetherwith the efforts made and the result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (d) The information is being compiled and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Formation of Ganga Board

†1056. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 410 given in the Rajya Sabha on 21st August, 2001 be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Uttaranchal had send a draft of the notification incorporating its point of view to form a Ganga Board to utilize hydro power to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh, as per the decision taken in the meeting held on the initiative taken by the Water Commission;

(b) whether this draft has since been set by the State Government of Uttaranchal to the State Government of Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the salient features thereof togetherwith the reaction of the State Government of Uttar Pradesh thereto?

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Government of Uttaranchal has proposed splitting up the projects under schedules I, II and III as follows:—

(i) Schedule-I containing the Canal systems to be coordinated by the Ganga Management Board (GMB).

(ii) Schedule-II containing the reaches of rivers under the purview of GMB but on which the States shall have exclusive right within their respective territories to the non consumptive use of rivers; and

(iii) Schedule-III containing the points (Reservoirs/Canals) at which *status quo* as on 9.11.2000 on the distribution of waters among the States shall be maintained.

The Government of Uttar Pradesh has communicated its observations to the Central Water Commission stating that the draft resolution is not in accordance with some provisions of the Uttar Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2000. The Observations of Uttar Pradesh have been sent to Government of Uttaranchal by Central Water Commission in October, 2001.

Losses due to Flood

†1057. SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that there has been a heavy loss in many parts of the country due to the floods every year;

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